Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens; and

Whereas, the members now pause to recognize Karen L. Avery, of Slater, Missouri, who retired from the Slater School District in October 2006, after twenty-nine years of dedicated service; and

Whereas, Karen Avery served the School District in the capacity of cook and head cook during those twenty-nine years, ensuring the nutrition of thousands and thousands of school children; and

Whereas, Karen Avery has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful and devoted family, which includes her daughter Ginger Newman, her son, Gene Avery, and her grandson, Ben Newman:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our congratulations to Karen Avery on the occasion of her well-deserved retirement and to wish her every success and happiness in all her future endeavors; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Karen L. Avery.

Offered by	
	Representative Joe Aull
	District No. 26

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3736, adopted May 16, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker